the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4845.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: NIH

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health, and Human Services, and Education concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2007 for the National Institutes

of Health, after receiving testimony from Elias A. Zerhouni, Director, John E. Niederhuber, Acting Director, National Cancer Institute, Francis Collins, Director, National Human Genome Research Institute, Elizabeth Nabel, Director, National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, and Anthony Fauci, Director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, all of the National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services; and sundry witnesses representing health groups and organizations.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 11 public bills, H.R. 5426, 5428–5437; and 12 resolutions, H.J. Res. 86; H. Con. Res. 407–410; and H. Res. 823–829 were introduced. **Pages H2961–62**

Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows: H.R. 4356, to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to fraud in connection with major disaster or emergency funds (H. Rept. 109–473); and

H.R. 5427, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007 (H. Rept. 109–474). Page H2961

Military Construction, Military Quality of Life and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act, 2007: The House passed H.R. 5385, to make appropriations for the military quality of life functions of the Department of Defense, military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007, by a yea-and-nay vote of 395 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 176.

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Rejected:

Jackson-Lee of Texas amendment that sought to prohibit use of funds in the bill to implement Paragraph 4.F of "Public Affairs Guidance on Casualty and Mortuary Affairs in Military Operations"; and

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Blumenauer amendment that sought to increase the Department of Defense Base Closure Account 1990 by \$27,500,000; to decrease the Department of Defense Base Closure Account by \$440,000,000; and to increase the account for Environmental Restoration, Formerly Used Defense Sites by \$50,000,000

(by a recorded vote of 151 ayes to 247 noes, Roll No. 175). Pages H2918–20, H2942–43

Withdrawn:

DeLauro amendment that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that sought to reduce the account for Department of Defense Base Closure 2005 by \$10 million and to increase the account for Defense Health Program by \$5 million; Pages H2920–22

Lynch amendment that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that sought to add a new section expressing the sense of the Congress that the Department of Veterans Affairs should cooperate with NIH in facilitating research on management of medial issues associated with hepatitis C; and Page H2930

Tiahrt amendment that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that sought to prohibit use of funds to promulgate regulations without consideration of the effect of such regulations on the competitiveness of American businesses.

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Point of Order sustained against:

Edwards amendment which sought to reduce the taxcut for taxpayers earning in excess of \$1 million by 1.78 percent, beginning in calendar year 2007;

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Farr amendment that sought to increase funding for various veteran health care accounts and is offset by a reduction in the rate of tax reduction for tax-payers earning more than \$1 million in calendar year 2007;

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Moore of Wisconsin amendment that sought to increase funding for the Construction, Major Projects account by \$32.5 million; Pages H2927-30

Obey amendment that sought to offset spending for various programs in the bill by providing a reduction in the taxcut for taxpayers earning in excess of \$1 million beginning in 2007, by 1.23 percent;

Pages H2900, H2930-40

The proviso beginning on page 58, line 20, and ending on page 58 line 25 violates the Budget Act. Subsequently, the point of order applied against the entire paragraph additional funds for Military Construction, Army;

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The proviso beginning on page 59, line 4, and ending on page 59 line 9 violates the Budget Act. Subsequently, the point of order applied against the entire paragraph regarding additional funds for Military Construction, Navy and Marine Corps;

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The proviso beginning on page 59, line 13, and ending on page 59 line 18 violates the Budget Act. Subsequently, the point of order applied against the entire paragraph regarding additional funds for Military Construction, Air Force;

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The proviso beginning on page 59, line 22, and ending on page 60 line 2 violates the Budget Act. Subsequently, the point of order applied against the entire paragraph regarding additional funds for Military Construction, Defense-Wide;

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The proviso beginning on page 60, line 6, and ending on page 60 line 11 violates the Budget Act. Subsequently, the point of order applied against the entire paragraph regarding additional funding for Military Construction, National Guard; and

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The proviso beginning on page 60, line 15, and ending on page 60 line 20 violates the Budget Act. Subsequently, the point of order applied against the entire paragraph regarding additional funds for Military Construction, Army Reserve.

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Agreed that the Clerk be authorized to make technical and conforming changes to reflect the actions of the House. Page H2944

H. Res. 821, the rule providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a yea and nay vote of 216 yeas to 187 nays, Roll No. 174, after agreeing to order the previous question by a yea and nay vote of 211 yeas to 186 nays, Roll No. 173.

Pages H2900-01, H2901-02

Providing for a recess of the House for a Joint Meeting to receive His Excellency Ehud Olmert, Prime Minister of Israel: Agreed that it may be in order at any time on Wednesday, May 24, 2006, for the Speaker to declare a recess, subject to the call of the chair, for the purpose of receiving in Joint Meeting His Excellency Ehud Olmert, Prime Minister of Israel.

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Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, May 22, 2006, for Morning Hour debate.

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed by unanimous consent to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, May 22, 2006. Page H2945

Election Assistance Commission Board of Advisors: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following member on the part of the House to the Election Assistance Commission Board of Advisors to fill the existing vacancy thereon: Mr. Thomas A. Fuentes, Lake Forest, California.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H2902.

Senate Referral: S. 193 was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce. **Page H2960**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H2901, H2901–02, H2942, H2943. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 5:16 p.m.

Committee Meetings

FOREIGN APPROPRIATIONS, EXPORT FINANCING, AND RELATED PROGRAMS APPROPRIATIONS FOR FY 2007

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs approved for full Committee action the Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs appropriations for Fiscal Year 2007.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of May 22 through May 27, 2006

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at 1 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of S. 2611, Comprehensive Immigration Reform Act, with a vote to occur at 5:30 p.m., on or in relation to Chambliss/Isakson Amendment No. 4009, to be followed by a vote on, or in relation to, Ensign/Graham Modified Amendment No. 4076.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any other cleared legislative and executive business, including the conference report to accompany H.R. 4939, Emergency Supplemental Appropriations and the nomination of Brett M. Kavanaugh, of Maryland, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit.